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Subject: RE: Due diligence regarding new company in Iowa
Date: Wednesday, January 6, 2021 11:29:00 AM

Hi Everyone,

I wanted to make sure you all knew that I am drafting an email that will go to the EPA Regional Directors for the Land, Chemical and Redevelopment Divisions in each Region to give them a heads up. Getting the information out will go a long way to curb his misinformation. Thanks for including me on this, so that I can best convey what to watch for.

Regions will likely opt to share with their respective states. If you have thoughts on other ways to convey the information to states, let the group know.

Thanks and Happy New Year!

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All - I wanted to thank everyone for bringing this issue to our attention. I've reached out to Mr. McCarville and we'll be keeping the lines of communication open with regard to this entity. While I'm not aware of the Iowa DNR being contacted by this entity, I've conveyed your experiences to my colleagues and I'm hopeful we won't have a repeat issue here in Iowa. Thanks again for your forewarning.



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On Wed, Jan 6, 2021 at 11:29 AM Mike Daniels (DEQ) <Mike.Daniels@ia.gov> wrote:

Mr. McCarville,

Happy New Year. I commend you for doing your due diligence.

In addition to C6-Zero, you might also want to check into Brand Technologies Corp, Brandlich Assets LLC, Brandlich Construction LLC, Brandlich Energy Solutions Dallas LLC, Brandlich Energy Solutions Houston LLC, Brandlich Energy Solutions San Antonio LLC, BrandLich Energy Solutions Casper LLC, Brandlich Energy Solutions Oregon, Brandlich Energy Solutions San Joaquin LLC, Brandlich Holdings LLC, C6-Zero Iowa LLC, C6-ZERO, LLC in Colorado.

Please see the attachment. TCEQ has plenty of records on line if you google Brandlich Holdings LLC or Howard Brand & TCEQ.

He has also used a UPS Store mailbox as an office address. C6-Zero's office may or may not be in a business incubator in an old high school in Florence, Colorado.

Mr. Brand hides behind all these shells and make it difficult to see through.

He also uses individuals as stand in and rarely meets in person. If he does meet with you in person, you should contact the warrants division of your local law enforcement agency.

I am curious if you met with him in person or through a representative.

Mr. Brand is also courting officials in Winslow, Arizona.

He was brought to the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality by our Louisiana Department of Economic Development. He is shrewd in that he makes promises of bringing new jobs, or paying for a school, or other inducements that get him support from local officials.

Our scientist at LDEQ were very skeptical of his "patented" process (I have asked his representatives for and did on line research trying to find a patent and have not found one) and that there would be no waste.

I am also curious if he submitted any promotional material, applications or documentation to you.

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Hi Tyler,

Thanks for reaching out. Howard Brand does not have a great record in regards to operating a compliant or legitimate business in Colorado and Texas- please see the information attached for documentation on this.

In 2019, Mr. Brand attempted to operate two facilities in Colorado under the radar and out of

compliance with all of the applicable state environmental regulations and permitting requirements. Please see the documents attached for reference. Mr. Brand originally claimed that the shingles collected in Colorado would be destined for a facility in Wyoming or Louisiana. Working with the State of Wyoming and State of Louisiana, it was evident that no permitted facility (or any facility at all) existed in Wyoming or Louisiana. In the end, Mr. Brand walked away with the tipping fees from the shingles he promised to recycle and abandoned 24 rail cars worth of waste shingles that he collected in Colorado. The railroad eventually had to foot the bill to clean up the abandoned shingles and cover the transportation of waste offsite and disposal costs.

Prior to Mr. Brand's unpermitted sham "recycling" sites in Colorado, he conducted a similar scheme in Texas. Mr. Brand abandoned multiple sites with waste asphalt shingles that he claimed would be recycled. For additional information on Mr. Brand's history in Texas, I've copied Jack Higginbotham with the Texas Dept of Environmental Quality.

I hope this information helps. Feel free to reach out if you have any additional questions and best of luck.

On Wed, Jan 6, 2021 at 7:53 AM Tyler McCarville <Tyler.McCarville@kirkwood.edu> wrote:

Hi Wolf,

My name is Tyler McCarville and I manage a tax incentive for Kirkwood Community College and the state of Iowa.

Prior to the holiday break, I reached out to you regarding a company opening up in Iowa, but we weren't able to connect. In your voicemail, you left your email address, so I thought this might be the easiest way to connect.

The company is opening up under the name C6-Zero, however I don't think they were doing business as that company in Colorado. The owner of the company is Howard Brand, which led me to this article and your name.

<https://pagetwo.completecolorado.com/2019/08/23/colorado-department-of-public-health-and-environment-shuts-down-shingles-recycling-company/>

As part of our due diligence, I thought I'd reach out to you and see if you would be willing to provide more information on the company. Specifically, any violations they had, reason(s) for closing their operation, and/or any other information you think would be relevant.

Thank you!

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